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Early Learning



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Washington State Early Learning Plan

Draft for public comment



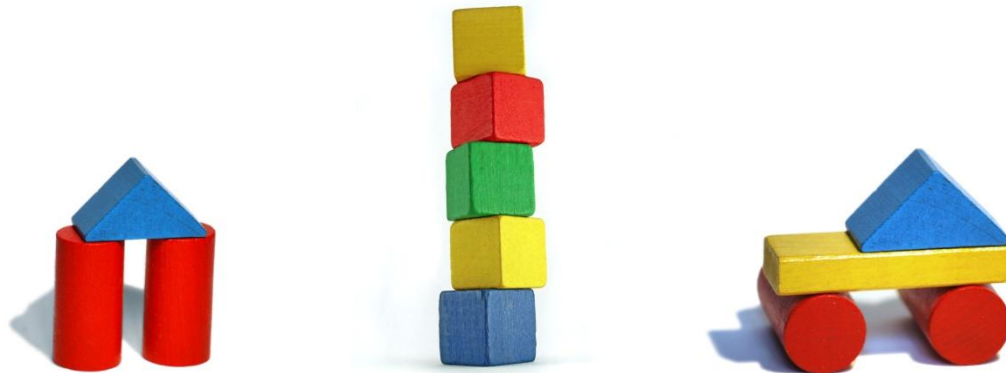
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Objectives for this meeting

- ◆ Share overview of the process and timeline for the creation of a statewide early learning plan
- ◆ Gather high-level feedback to inform the draft plan that goes to the Governor on Dec. 1





Dec. 1- March 10

2nd PUBLIC INPUT PERIOD

Statewide community outreach, review and comment on Draft EL Plan.

Oct. 26-Nov. 11

1st PUBLIC INPUT PERIOD

Feedback on Draft EL Plan's Outcomes and Strategies.

Late-October

Draft EL Plan posted online.

Dec. 1

Draft EL Plan, recommendations to the Governor.

Draft EL Plan posted online.

December to Early March 2010

Legislature in session – Jan. to March

Work continues on finalizing Early Learning Plan.

Late March 2010

Early Learning Plan finalized.
Implementation Begins.

Moving forward!

Continued monitoring of plan to ensure it meets the needs of our state in supporting school readiness and success.

Why do we need an Early Learning Plan?

◆ A plan will:

- Help ensure school readiness and success for all children in Washington
- Coordinate the different systems that touch children in their earliest years (early care and education, health, parenting support, etc.) into one early learning system
- Measure results over time for children and families to ensure we invest in what works

Who's writing the plan?

- ◆ Lead entities: DEL, OSPI and Thrive by Five WA
- ◆ DEL Early Learning Advisory Council
- ◆ Work groups preparing outcomes, strategies:
 - Social, emotional and mental health
 - Early education and care
 - Child health and development
 - Parent and community partnerships



Your input matters!

You can:

- ◆ Talk to us during this meeting, and we'll capture your input
- ◆ Fill out a hard copy survey now and return to one of the presenters, or
- ◆ Go to www.del.wa.gov/partnerships/elac/elp.aspx to read more about the plan and to take the survey online.

Where we need your help

Looking at the Early Learning Plan's draft vision, guiding principles, draft outcomes and strategies:

- ◆ What do you see that speaks to you and/or your community?
- ◆ Is there anything that's missing or off-focus/target for your children or community?





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Thank you!

